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Professor W. D. Halliburton,

King's College,

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Dear Professor Halliburton:

We have made application to the Carnegie Foundation for Mrs. Brodie and have put the case as strongly as we could, and I am afraid that is all the distance we can go in this respect. We have found in the past that the Executive of the Carnegie Foundation do not always accede to our wishes. However, I think we have made a strong case for Mrs. Brodie.

You will be glad to know that the Governor of the University have sent her $2000, and since that by reason of the goodwill of several of the Governors the University has promised to pay her $1000 a year, beginning July 1st, 1917, for three years. This will tide her over some of her present difficulties I hope, and if the Carnegie people act as we hope they will she should be in very comfortable circumstances.

It seems too bad that boys who are serving the country like her two sons should not be supported by the country and given reasonable pay.

We are appreciating our loss ~~of~~ Professor Brodie as the time goes on. Every visitor who knows anything about

Physiology who comes to the University from the United States speaks of his work in terms of the highest praise. The last one was Professor Jacques Loeb who gave two lectures last week.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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Dear President Falconer,

I have received a letter from Prof. Macallum telling me of certain difficulties that have arisen in connection with providing an adequate pension for the widow of the late Prof. Brodie. I do trust that technical difficulties and precedents will not be allowed to stand in the way. Brodie told me not long before he died that if he had elected to retire then, he would have completed 25 years service and was entitled to a pension straight away. He fully understood that the teaching years in England would be counted. You will no doubt remember that shortly after he came to Toronto he was not satisfied that this arrangement was a definite one and that he had an interview with you in which you satisfied him that it

was all right. It was mainly because of the certain prospect of a pension for himself or his widow that he was induced to go out to Canada, and later on he refused the Liverpool chair for the same reason.

His widow needs the money badly, especially at this expensive time when her three splendid boys are needing either education or an outfit and training for their future careers. The anxiety and worry of not knowing what Toronto is going to do is very distressing to Mrs Brodie who is far from well.

Prof. Macallum concludes his letter:—

"I do not know where we are to get a successor to Brodie. If you saw his laboratory and the equipment and also the character of the work which he carried on both for instruction and research, you

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would appreciate how limited must be our choice in finding a ~~successor~~ Professor to succeed him."

I know from what Dr. Brodie has told me that you at least appreciated his value. He was an exceptional man, and his case needs exceptional and liberal treatment.

I fear that the unceasing toil he gave to Toronto was a contributing factor in his death.

With kind regards I remain

Yours sincerely

W. D. Halliburton